

Bookshelf Overview

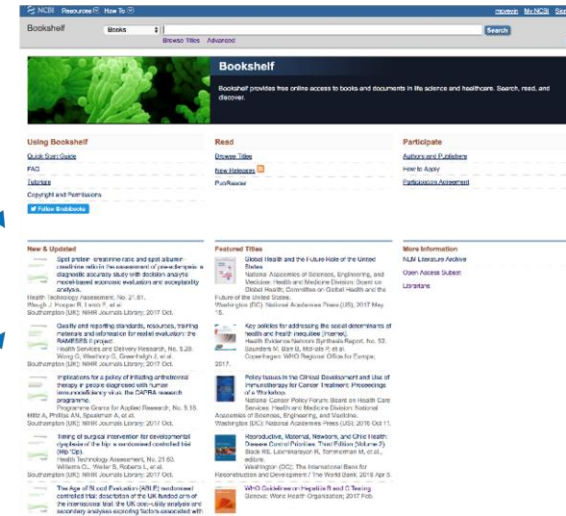
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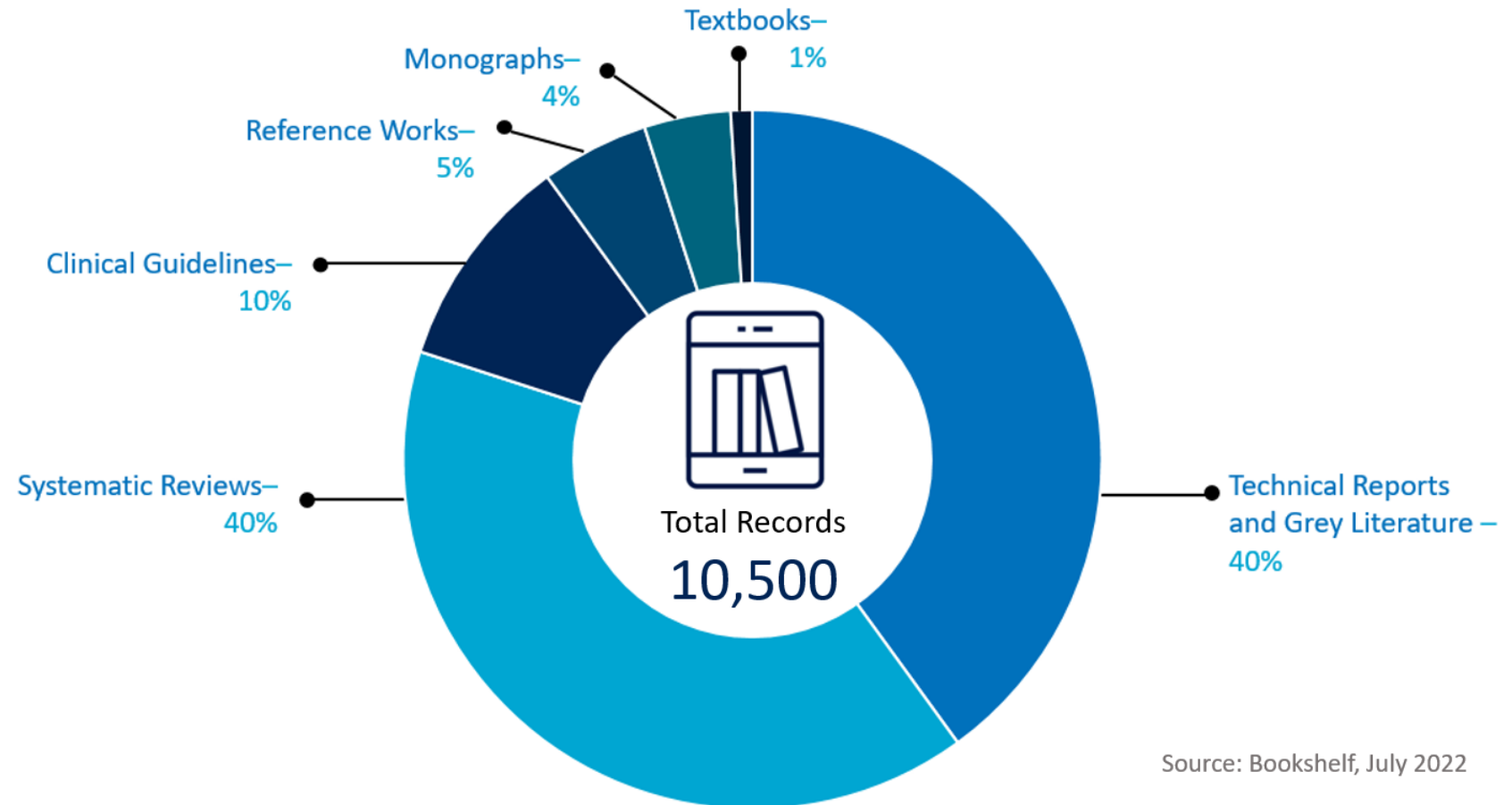
What is Bookshelf?

- Over 10,500 books and documents in life sciences and healthcare
- Full text browse and search
- Free for users



What will Bookshelf take?

- Monographs
- Collected Works
- Government Publications
- Handbooks and Manuals
- Reference Works
- Standards and Guidelines
- Statistical Works
- Technical Reports
- Textbooks
- Web Content
- Selected Grey Literature
- Self-Published Works

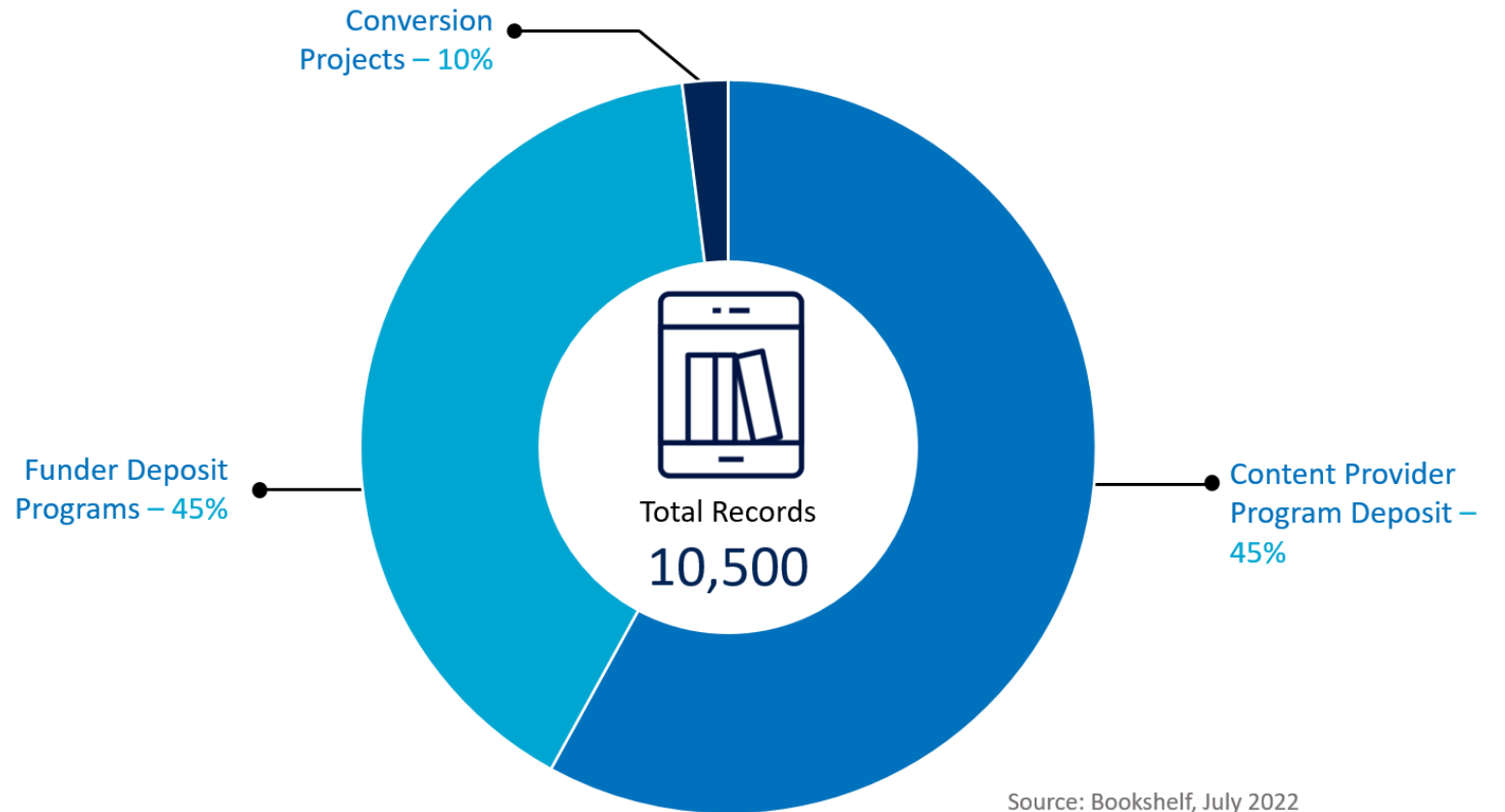


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Content must be in scope of core biomedical subjects defined in the [NLM Collection Development Guidelines](#)

Who can apply?

- Authors
- Editors
- Funders
- Sponsors
- Publishers

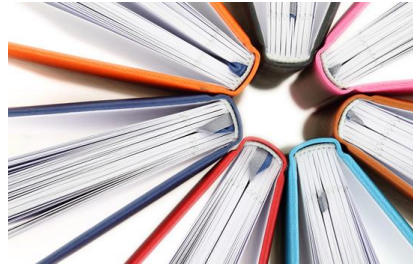


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Applicants must have peer-review and editorial policies that meet best practices for the content they seek to add to Bookshelf

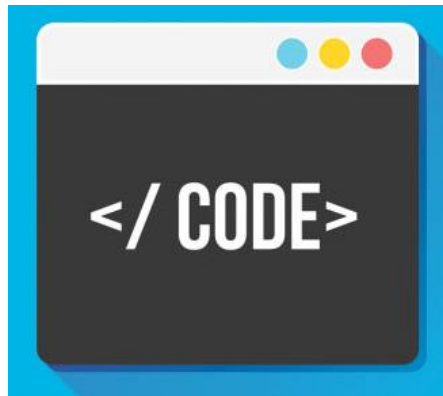
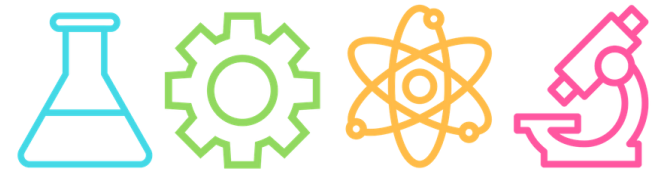
How does Bookshelf decide what to take?

- Scope review
- Scientific review
- Technical review



Scope reviewed by the NLM Collection Development and Acquisitions Section (CDAS)

Scientific quality reviewed by the NLM Technical Services Division



Technical quality reviewed by the NCBI Bookshelf

Content selection criteria

- Objectivity, credibility, and scientific quality of the content
- Content is supported by a range of cited references
- Content is adequately copyedited and structured
- Expertise of the authors or editorial panel in the subject area
- Regularly updated content remains current

NLM places to access Bookshelf records

- [Bookshelf](#) – retrieve all collection, book, and chapter records in the Bookshelf repository by query of metadata and full text
- [PubMed search](#) – retrieve individually contributed and peer-reviewed book and chapter records with full text in Bookshelf by query of their citations and abstracts
- [NLM Catalog](#) or [LocatorPlus](#) search – retrieve series and/or book records with full text in Bookshelf by query of their bibliographic information
- [Open Access Subset](#) – programmatically find full-text XML, images, and supplementary files via FTP of Bookshelf records that are Open Access per agreement with content providers
- [MARC records by FTP](#) – programmatically download MARC records created by NLM cataloguers

Demos

- Finding and navigating medical genetics information
- Finding and navigating toxicology grey literature